

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1 - 29 (Cancelled)

30. (Original) A method of making a same potential block having a main body, comprising:

(a) stamping a first metal piece from a first sheet of metal, said first metal piece including a first carrier strip and a plurality of first clips extending from said first carrier strip, and an external contact portion protruding from the first metal piece to form a mating structure for a connector; and

(b) inserting said plurality of first clips into a plurality of holes of the main body of the same potential block.

31. (Original) The method of claim 30, including forming the external contact portion is formed to form a mating structure for a D-Subminiature connector.

32. (Original) The method of claim 30, further comprising:

(c) stamping a second metal piece from a second sheet of metal, said second metal piece including a second carrier strip, and a plurality of second clips extending from said second carrier strip;

(d) inserting said plurality of second clips into said plurality of holes of said main body.

33. (Original) The method of claim 32, further comprising:

(e) during step (b), positioning said first carrier strip within a hollow formed in said main body;

(f) during step (d), positioning said second carrier strip within said hollow formed in said main body; and

(g) inserting a cap into said hollow of said main body, said cap having a plurality of holes aligning with said plurality of holes formed in said main body.

34. (Original) The method of claim 33, wherein
step (g) includes pressing portions said first carrier strip against portions of said second carrier strip by forcing said portions of said first and second carrier strips into wedge portions of said cap.

35. (Original) The method of claim 34, further comprising:
(h) attaching a pin to a ground shield wire of a cable;
(i) inserting the pin into one of said plurality of holes formed in said main body to create an electrical connection between said ground shield wire and said exterior contact portion.

36. (Original) The method of claim 35, further comprising:
(j) removing the pin inserted in step (i) with a jig.

37. (Original) The method of claim 34, further comprising:
(h) physically attaching and electrically connecting said same potential block to a connector.

38. (Original) The method of claim 37, wherein
step (h) includes attaching said same potential block to a D-Subminiature connector.

Claims 39 (Cancelled) .